



Press Release

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On: TEXAS WHEAT PRODUCTION
UP 12 PERCENT FROM LAST YEAR

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AUSTIN . . . The 2004 Texas winter wheat production is estimated at 108.5 million bushels, up 12 percent from last year and 39 percent higher than 2002.

According to a September survey conducted by the Texas Agricultural Statistics Service, the statewide yield averaged 31 bushels per acre, 3 bushels above last year and unchanged from the August 1 forecast. Acreage harvested for grain, at 3.5 million acres, was up 1 percent from 2003 but down 5 percent from the August 1 forecast.

Production on the Northern High Plains is estimated at 45 million bushels, up 9 percent from last year. Winter wheat production on the Low Plains is estimated at 25.8 million bushels, up 13 percent from last year. Production in the Cross Timbers area is estimated at 5.6 million bushels, up 31 percent from last year. Production in the Blacklands is estimated at 18.5 million bushels, up 5 percent from the 2003 crop.

United States winter wheat production for 2004 is estimated at 1.50 billion bushels, down 13 percent from last year but 1 percent higher than the August 1 forecast. Yield per acre averaged 43.5 bushels, down 3.2 bushels from a year ago. Acreage harvested for grain totaled 34.5 million acres, down 6 percent from a year ago.

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DISTRICT TABLE ON BACK

TEXAS WHEAT: ACREAGE, YIELD AND PRODUCTION, 2003 AND 2004 ¹

Districts	Planted acres		Harvested acres		Yield per acre		Production	
	2003	2004	2003	2004	2003	2004	2003	2004
	<u>1,000 acres</u>		<u>1,000 acres</u>		<u>Bushels</u>		<u>1,000 bushels</u>	
1-N	2,527	2,450	1,344.0	1,500.0	30.7	30.0	41,199	45,000
1-S	500	500	163.0	180.0	26.8	29.4	4,375	5,300
2-N	679	660	422.0	310.0	26.1	26.8	10,997	8,300
2-S	1,136	1,100	585.0	620.0	20.2	28.2	11,795	17,500
3	556	530	182.0	200.0	23.4	28.0	4,266	5,600
4	689	620	463.5	420.0	37.9	44.0	17,578	18,500
7	333	265	185.0	170.0	18.1	29.4	3,345	5,000
8-N	80	85	53.5	60.0	30.0	31.7	1,604	1,900
Other districts ²	100	90	52.0	40.0	27.7	35.0	1,441	1,400
STATE	6,600	6,300	3,450.0	3,500.0	28.0	31.0	96,600	108,500

¹ Preliminary 2004. ² Districts with less than 50,000 acres planted are included in other districts.

